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Applicants: David M. Stern et al.
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TO INHIBIT NEUROTOXICITY

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER'S DECISION
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Examiner mailed May 19, 2003 finally rejecting pending claims 1, 3, 4, 11, 12 and 34-37 in connection with the above-identified application. The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$165.00) for a small entity and a check for this amount is enclosed. Applicants are concurrently filing a request for an additional three-month extension of time, making this application pending today.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$165.00 fee for filing a Notice of Appeal, is deemed necessary. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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